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PIECE FOR COVERING AN AIR BAG INSTALLATION  
IN AN AUTOMOTIVE VEHICLE

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AMENDMENT UNDER RULE 116Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated May 22, 2002, it is proposed to further  
amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 17, line 1 with the following  
rewritten paragraph:

--Figure 18 shows a substantially regularly stepped, variable depth groove 130  
formed in a cover 132 which varies in depth along its length. This shape may be produced by  
pulsating operation of the laser generator, resulting in a cyclically varying intensity laser beam.--

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